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## MEMORANDA.

*Trade.*—The imports during February were valued at £3,081,184, which shows a small increase of £61,444, or over 2 per cent., as compared with the corresponding month of last year. The direct oversea imports amounted to £1,680,664, as compared with £1,625,635 in 1907 ; the total for the two months was £3,359,909, an increase of £295,346 over the corresponding figures for last year. During the two months there were increases in sugar, apparel and soft goods, boots and shoes, and timber ; but decreases in kerosene, spirits, tobacco, gold, fish, drugs and chemicals, and tea.

The oversea exports for February amounted to £3,205,116, and show a small increase of £11,192, or about 0.35 per cent., as compared with the corresponding month of last year. During the first two months there were substantial increases in butter and coal, but decreases in nearly all the principal articles, including copper, gold, wheat, meats, tallow, tin, and wool. Separating merchandise from gold, the exports of the former decreased by £18,880, and the latter increased by £30,072.

*Gold Production.*—The gold yield during February was 15,979 oz. crude, equal to 13,499 oz. fine, valued at £57,342. The value of gold produced during the two months was £167,925, and showed an increase of £17,096, as compared with the corresponding period of 1907.

*Prices.*—The general index number for February was slightly lower than in January, and was lower than for February in either of the previous two years. The index number for pastoral produce was 1,202, for metals 1,081, and for all articles 1,213. Prices generally were a little lower than for the previous month, with the exception of butter, which showed a considerable advance, frozen mutton, hides, silver, tin, and coal.

*Meteorology.*—Monsoonal weather conditions were experienced over the whole of the State during the month of February, and some exceptionally heavy falls of rain were recorded on the South Coast, Hunter, and Manning, Central Western Plains, Riverina, and Western Division. The rainfall generally was considerably in excess of the average. For the most part mild temperatures ruled throughout the State during the month.

*Land Selections.*—During February 160 new settlers applied for 69,421 acres ; and 48,082 acres, representing 78 blocks, were set apart for residential settlement. Since the beginning of the year the number of new settlers has been 329, and the area applied for 176,126 acres. The original area set apart for residential settlement since the 1st January has been 131,514 acres, representing 199 blocks.

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## No. 1.—Population.

Year.	Estimated Population at end of Year.			Annual Increase.		Mean Population.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Numerical.	Per cent.	
1897	692,090	609,690	1,301,780	22,810	1.78	1,290,375
1898	701,815	621,315	1,323,130	21,350	1.64	1,312,455
1899	710,520	633,560	1,344,080	20,950	1.58	1,333,605
1900	718,995	645,595	1,364,590	20,510	1.53	1,354,335
1901	723,494	656,033	1,379,527	14,937	1.09	1,367,851
1902	741,234	666,385	1,407,619	28,092	2.04	1,395,299
1903	755,078	676,533	1,431,611	23,992	1.70	1,419,734
1904	773,699	687,850	1,461,549	29,938	2.09	1,446,535
1905	795,133	700,874	1,496,007	34,458	2.36	1,478,703
1906	816,590	714,394	1,530,984	34,977	2.34	1,514,390
<b>1907</b>	<b>843,542</b>	<b>727,725</b>	<b>1,571,267</b>	<b>40,283</b>	<b>2.63</b>	<b>1,554,635</b>

The population includes 4,287 Aborigines of full-blood, of whom 2,451 are males, and 1,836 females.

## No. 2.—Marriages, Births, and Deaths.

Year.	Marriages.	Births.		Deaths.		Excess of Births over Deaths.	
		Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Numerical.	Per 1,000 of Population.
1897	8,813	18,989	18,258	8,314	5,950	22,983	17.81
1898	8,888	18,723	17,499	9,636	7,025	19,561	14.70
1899	9,275	18,613	17,848	9,131	6,770	20,560	15.42
1900	9,996	18,964	18,182	8,951	6,167	22,028	16.26
1901	10,538	19,149	18,726	9,327	6,694	21,854	15.98
1902	10,486	19,322	18,513	9,535	7,111	21,189	15.19
1903	9,759	18,377	17,589	9,428	7,069	19,469	13.71
1904	10,422	19,857	18,810	8,733	6,627	23,307	16.11
1905	10,970	20,206	19,295	8,709	6,269	24,523	16.58
1906	11,551	21,066	19,882	8,715	6,260	25,973	17.15
<b>1907</b>	<b>12,189</b>	<b>21,616</b>	<b>20,579</b>	<b>9,429</b>	<b>6,981</b>	<b>25,785</b>	<b>16.59</b>
Oct. to Dec., 1907	3,039	5,611	5,327	2,492	1,829	6,617	.....
," 1906	2,928	5,251	5,069	2,200	1,645	6,475	.....

## No. 3.—Movement of Population.

Year.	Arrivals.								Departures.									
	By Sea.				By Land.				Total.	By Sea.				By Land.				Total.
	Males.	Females	Males.	Females						Males.	Females	Males.	Females	Males.	Females			
1897	44,780	22,236	45,357	25,992	138,365	43,039	22,572	45,868	27,059	138,538								
1898	49,186	26,340	44,340	25,600	145,466	46,945	24,453	45,943	26,336	143,677								
1899	49,960	27,674	46,358	25,625	149,617	47,817	23,746	49,278	28,386	149,227								
1900	45,585	23,198	51,783	30,747	151,313	45,259	21,931	53,647	31,994	152,831								
1901	50,234	25,905	55,538	31,936	163,613	44,332	25,168	66,763	34,267	170,530								
1902	54,942	26,249	50,855	28,604	160,650	43,433	23,987	54,411	31,936	153,747								
1903	46,121	24,449	54,314	27,459	152,343	39,537	24,095	56,003	28,185	147,820								
1904	48,700	24,278	54,997	28,287	156,262	39,475	24,113	56,725	29,318	149,631								
1905	47,872	26,298	62,991	35,143	172,304	38,586	25,096	62,340	36,347	162,369								
1906	50,257	29,208	71,529	42,342	193,336	41,039	27,753	71,641	43,899	184,332								
1907	63,759	34,516	91,872	48,341	238,488	50,035	31,264	90,831	51,860	223,990								
Oct. to Dec., 1907	16,485	8,883	24,049	12,583	62,000	13,556	8,449	27,353	15,346	64,704								
," 1906	14,620	8,375	19,838	11,127	53,960	11,946	7,670	21,318	13,108	54,042								

## No. 4.—Countries whence Immigrants arrived.

Year.	Other Australian States.				United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.		By Sea.					
1900	82,530		45,962		4,857	9,770	8,194	151,313
1901	87,474		46,982		4,579	13,706	10,872	163,613
1902	79,458		46,900		4,864	13,161	16,267	160,650
1903	81,773		42,529		4,249	12,868	10,924	152,343
1904	83,283		42,911		4,842	14,314	10,912	156,262
1905	98,134		44,315		4,859	15,093	9,903	172,304
1906	113,871		48,294		5,641	16,525	9,005	193,336
1907	140,213		58,734		7,895	20,137	11,509	238,488
Oct. to Dec., 1907	36,632		15,534		2,812	3,990	3,032	62,000
," 1906	30,965		14,234		2,263	3,704	2,794	53,960

## No. 5.—Countries for which Emigrants departed.

Year.	Other Australian States.				United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.		By Sea.					
1900	85,641		42,863		5,798	9,477	9,052	152,831
1901	101,030		43,426		5,221	12,159	8,694	170,530
1902	86,347		36,448		5,956	12,803	12,193	153,747
1903	84,189		34,914		5,136	13,204	10,377	147,820
1904	86,043		35,888		5,837	12,782	9,081	149,631
1905	98,686		36,771		5,501	12,310	9,101	162,369
1906	115,541		39,458		4,627	15,452	9,254	184,332
1907	142,691		47,098		4,996	18,045	11,160	223,990
Oct. to Dec., 1907	42,699		12,744		692	6,416	2,153	64,704
," 1906	34,426		10,856		526	6,239	1,995	54,042



## No. 7.—Principal Articles Imported, 1907 and 1906.

Article.	1907.			1906.		
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
Ale and Beer ... ...	£ 27,660	£ 166,158	£ 193,818	£ 35,763	£ 118,229	£ 153,992
Animals ... ...	£ 1,735,813	£ 60,653	£ 1,796,466	£ 1,471,482	£ 59,621	£ 1,531,103
Apparel and Attire ...	£ 463,800	£ 5,278,242	£ 5,742,042	£ 362,464	£ 889,733	£ 1,252,197
Piece Goods ...	£ 234,905	£ 164,445	£ 399,350	£ 182,122	£ 115,381	£ 297,503
Boots and Shoes ...	£ 30,220	£ 301,587	£ 331,807	£ 41,668	£ 39,611	£ 81,279
Cordage and Twines ...	£ 45,884	£ 406,994	£ 452,878	£ 22,461	£ 158,052	£ 180,513
Fish—all kinds ...	£ 14,437	£ 162,379	£ 176,816	£ 20,914	£ 98,577	£ 119,491
Fruits—Dried ...	£ 98,498	£ 65,926	£ 164,424	£ 365,528	£ 105,559	£ 471,087
Fresh ...	£ 233,390	£ 76,018	£ 309,408	£ 35,546	£ 97,782	£ 133,328
Furniture ...	£ 43,190	£ 127,351	£ 170,541	£ 35,546	£ 113,189	£ 136,838
Glass and Glassware ...	£ 14,789	£ 184,571	£ 199,360	£ 23,649	£ 151,809	£ 226,612
Gold—Coined and Uncoined ...	£ 3,400,846	£ 1,053,348	£ 4,454,194	£ 3,529,330	£ 1,586,999	£ 5,116,329
Hats and Caps ...	£ 62,044	£ 263,118	£ 325,162	£ 74,803	£ 79,101	£ 251,397
Implements—Agricultural ...	£ 92,492	£ 135,431	£ 227,923	£ 172,296	£ 311,445	£ 330,716
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c.	£ 1,826	£ 398,358	£ 400,184	£ 19,271	£ 296,066	£ 334,880
Galvanized Sheet ...	£ 445,369	£ 445,369	£ 8814	£ 125,281	£ 168,956	£ 294,237
Leather ...	£ 95,548	£ 195,149	£ 290,697	£ 800,353	£ 1,077,156	
Machines and Machinery ...	£ 180,541	£ 1,518,005	£ 1,698,546	£ 276,803	£ 780,596	£ 858,992
Metal Manufactures—Free Dutiable	£ 103,727	£ 752,313	£ 856,040	£ 78,396	£ 427,747	£ 564,601
Oil—Kerosene ...	£ 13,076	£ 998,147	£ 1,011,223	£ 136,854	£ 111,785	£ 123,440
Spirits ...	£ 46,399	£ 504,116	£ 550,515	£ 74,930	£ 330,171	£ 405,101
Sugar ...	£ 780,854	£ 51,497	£ 832,351	£ 883,235	£ 190,466	£ 1,073,701
Tea ...	£ 561,204	£ 561,204	£ 37,435	£ 381,069	£ 418,504	
Timber ...	£ 127,952	£ 768,396	£ 896,348	£ 187,332	£ 526,413	£ 713,745
Tobacco, Cigars, &c. ...	£ 115,100	£ 390,522	£ 505,622	£ 141,585	£ 258,371	£ 399,956
Wool ...	£ 1,677,933	£ 7,013	£ 1,684,946	£ 1,469,328	£ 1,385	£ 1,470,713
Other Articles ...	£ 6,604,897	£ 7,939,769	£ 14,544,666	£ 7,003,504	£ 6,694,956	£ 13,698,460
Total ...	£ 16,245,821	£ 23,145,609	£ 39,391,430	£ 17,601,860	£ 17,603,503	£ 34,665,363

NOTE.—The figures for the two years are not quite comparable, as the column "Interstate" in 1906 includes a small amount of oversea produce.

## No. 8.—Principal Articles Exported, 1907 and 1906.

Article.	1907.				1906.	
	Quantity.		Value.		Interstate.	Oversea.
	Interstate.*	Oversea.†	Interstate.†	Oversea.†		
Animals, Living ...	2,272	£ 2,326,262	£ 68,865	£ 2,408,436	£ 92,210	
Butter ... lb.	18,829,626	133,016	£ 810,270	£ 48,676	£ 1,003,423	
Coal ... tons	2,644,507	970,665	£ 1,297,534	£ 891,446	£ 892,170	
Copper, Ingots, & Matte cwt.	406,959	*	£ 1,623,218	£ 5,031	£ 1,627,458	
Gold—Coined and Uncoined ...	.....	.....	£ 430,404	£ 566,224	£ 685,772	£ 5932,214
Grain—Wheat ... cwt.	3,036,812	£ 214,465	£ 799,902	£ 257,265	£ 689,918	
Flour ... "	778,595	£ 188,624	£ 319,754	£ 177,051	£ 285,482	
Lead—Pig, and Matte cwt.	1,506,694	*	£ 1,325,323	£ 1,388,945	£ 635,621	
Leather ...	.....	.....	£ 300,348	£ 133,222	£ 329,267	
Meats—Mutton and Lamb lb.	55,831,419	*	£ 614,996	£ 75,035	£ 538,771	
Rabbits and Hares prs.	6,986,466	*	£ 301,115	£ 1,704	£ 246,803	
Oil—Cocoanut ... cwt.	114,955	*	£ 195,816	£ 4,406	£ 151,292	
Ores ... "	.....	*	£ 897,071	£ 9,070	£ 277,959	
Silver Bullion, &c. ... oz.	3,402,419	*	£ 428,150	£ 506,912	£ 105,155	
Silver-lead Bullion ... cwt.	.....	*	.....	.....	£ 655,011	
Silver-lead Ore ... "	*	*	*	*	£ 94,980	
Skins—Hides ... No.	197,239	.....	£ 188,010	£ 86,975	£ 146,303	
Sheep ... "	3,943,123	.....	£ 502,893	£ 90,618	£ 403,166	
Rabbit and Hare lb.	6,981,362	£ 211,880	£ 254,741	£ 23,669	£ 298,532	
Other ...	.....	.....	£ 286,664	£ 4,718	£ 15,678	
Spelter, Concentrates, &c. cwt.	*	£ 360,421	*	£ 239,510	£ 86,505	
Tallow ... "	358,377	*	£ 539,976	£ 20,930	£ 470,023	
Timber ...	.....	£ 39,123	£ 334,283	£ 41,853	£ 352,622	
Tin, Ingots ... cwt.	85,281	*	£ 727,448	£ 1,456	£ 700,806	
Wool—Greasy and Scoured lb.	298,651,930	£ 2,632,344	£ 16,219,020	£ 3,240,935	£ 12,302,149	
All other Articles ...	.....	£ 8,122,747	£ 2,265,505	£ 4,212,541	£ 1,901,420	
Total ...	£ .....	£ .....	£ 15,629,951	£ 32,964,126	£ 14,651,156	£ 30,986,888

\* Not yet available.

† Information compiled from preliminary returns; may be subject to alterations.

## No. 9.—Trade.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.		
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
1897 ...	£ 8,972,854	£ 12,771,496	£ 21,744,350	£ 7,788,077	£ 15,962,995	£ 23,751,072
1898 ...	£ 11,721,033	£ 12,732,527	£ 24,453,560	£ 8,162,429	£ 19,485,688	£ 27,648,117
1899 ...	£ 10,868,437	£ 14,725,878	£ 25,594,315	£ 8,862,274	£ 19,583,192	£ 28,445,466
1900 ...	£ 10,164,080	£ 17,396,991	£ 27,561,071	£ 9,979,214	£ 18,185,302	£ 28,164,516
1901 ...	£ 9,368,011	£ 17,560,207	£ 26,928,218	£ 9,140,497	£ 18,210,625	£ 27,351,122
1902 ...	£ 10,949,675	£ 15,024,535	£ 25,974,210	£ 7,568,922	£ 15,975,129	£ 23,544,051
1903 ...	£ 12,792,252	£ 13,977,917	£ 26,770,169	£ 7,876,898	£ 18,941,161	£ 26,818,059
1904 ...	£ 14,152,101	£ 13,133,857	£ 27,285,958	£ 9,918,050	£ 23,086,484	£ 33,004,534
1905 ...	£ 14,938,885	£ 14,485,123	£ 29,424,008	£ 12,263,472	£ 24,518,534	£ 36,782,006
1906 ...	£ 17,061,860	£ 17,603,503	£ 34,665,363	£ 14,651,156	£ 30,986,888	£ 45,638,044
1907 ...	£ 18,454,079	£ 20,937,351	£ 39,391,430	£ 15,629,951	£ 32,964,126	£ 48,594,077

NOTE.—The 1907 figures are preliminary, and subject to revision later.

## No. 10.—Trade Comparison—Imports—Monthly.

Month.	1908.			1907.			Increase.
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	
January ...	£ 917,216	£ 1,756,542	£ 2,673,758	£ 1,499,770	£ 1,560,746	£ 3,060,516	(—) £ 386,758
February ...	£ 1,182,813	£ 1,898,371	£ 3,081,184	£ 1,213,964	£ 1,805,776	£ 3,019,740	£ 61,444
Total (2 mths) £	£ 2,100,029	£ 3,654,913	£ 5,754,942	£ 2,713,734	£ 3,366,522	£ 6,080,256	(—) £ 325,314

(—) Denotes decrease.

## No. 11.—Trade Comparison—Exports—Monthly.

Month.	1908.			1907.			Increase.
	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	
January ...	£ 1,452,638	£ 811,008	£ 2,263,646	£ 3,486,107	£ 1,024,953	£ 4,511,060	(—) £ 2,247,414
February ...	£ 3,205,116	* .....	£ 3,193,924	£ 1,031,359	£ 4,225,283	£ 111,192	
Total (2 mths) £	£ 4,657,754	.....	£ 6,680,031	£ 2,056,312	£ 8,736,343	£ 2,022,277†	

\* Not yet available.

† Oversea only.

(—) Denotes decrease.

No. 12.—Principal Articles Imported during February, and during the two months January and February.

Article.	1908.			1907.		
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.
<b>February.</b>						
Ale and Beer ... ... ...	2,971	12,566	15,537	3,126	14,795	17,921
Animals ... ... ...	43,733	1,304	45,937	89,830	4,526	94,356
Apparel and Soft Goods ... ... ...	28,336	530,379	558,715	37,712	4,718	51,5430
Boots and Shoes ... ... ...	18,869	14,741	33,610	12,067	12,742	24,809
Cordage and Twines ... ... ...	.....	27,988	27,988	1,831	25,199	27,030
Drugs and Chemicals ... ... ...	.....	20,449	20,449	2,254	29,905	32,159
Fish—all kinds ... ... ...	.....	12,414	12,414	339	42,506	42,845
Fruits—Dried ... ... ...	266	1,678	1,944	3,066	3,396	6,462
Fresh ... ... ...	19,061	7,666	26,757	18,807	8,407	27,214
Furniture ... ... ...	.....	6,886	6,886	2,438	8,415	10,853
Glass and Glassware ... ... ...	.....	10,424	10,424	727	20,061	20,788
Gold—Coined and Uncoined ...	171,022	27,730	198,758	399,501	92,916	492,417
Grain—Rice ... ... ...	.....	4,536	4,536	.....	10,762	10,762
Hats and Caps ... ... ...	6,226	14,224	20,450	6,686	18,508	25,194
Implements—Agricultural ...	9,365	11,123	20,488	8,390	7,649	16,039
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c. ...	576	31,233	31,809	185	35,801	35,986
Galvanized Sheet	.....	26,500	26,500	.....	48,790	48,790
Leather ... ... ...	8,835	9,228	18,063	8,350	13,673	22,023
Machines and Machinery ...	9,287	102,690	111,977	12,501	108,665	121,166
Metal Manufactures—Free ...	503	87,210	87,713	6,783	47,450	54,233
Dutiable ...	10,640	57,830	68,470	671	98,224	98,895
Oil—Kerosene ... ... ...	.....	29,009	29,009	.....	32,045	32,045
Spirits ... ... ...	2,439	37,063	39,502	3,874	46,705	50,579
Sugar ... ... ...	59,631	19,638	79,269	32,066	443	32,509
Tea ... ... ...	.....	42,501	42,501	.....	51,399	51,399
Timber ... ... ...	5,458	55,265	60,723	8,876	30,225	39,101
Tobacco, Cigars, &c. ...	8,598	13,725	22,323	10,991	21,541	32,532
Wine ... ... ...	5,243	3,944	9,187	3,207	2,107	5,314
Wool ... ... ...	150,813	740	151,553	112,923	1,809	114,732
Other Articles ... ... ...	620,941	677,651	1,298,592	426,763	489,394	916,157
Total ... ... ...	£ 1,182,813	1,898,371	3,081,184	1,213,964	1,805,776	3,019,740
<b>January and February.</b>						
Ale and Beer ... ... ...	4,779	30,594	35,378	5,545	30,586	36,131
Animals ... ... ...	65,447	5,929	71,376	130,323	7,992	138,315
Apparel and Soft Goods ...	53,255	954,978	1,008,233	59,953	840,138	900,091
Boots and Shoes ...	24,748	25,946	50,694	18,940	24,054	42,994
Cordage and Twines ...	1,837	52,303	54,140	3,403	42,671	46,074
Drugs and Chemicals ...	.....	49,617	49,617	4,392	59,651	64,043
Fish—all kinds ...	.....	48,475	48,475	694	58,284	58,978
Fruits—Dried ...	611	3,229	3,848	3,841	4,990	8,831
Fresh ...	31,904	17,446	49,350	41,497	15,226	56,723
Furniture ... ... ...	.....	13,604	13,608	4,407	15,269	19,676
Glass and Glassware ...	.....	22,578	22,578	1,293	30,689	31,982
Gold—Coined and Uncoined ...	511,386	104,186	615,572	1,111,244	169,102	1,280,346
Grain—Rice ... ... ...	.....	13,540	13,540	.....	17,477	17,477
Hats and Caps ... ... ...	10,545	32,194	42,739	9,296	31,522	40,818
Implements—Agricultural ...	12,184	16,155	28,339	13,616	17,960	31,576
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c. ...	767	57,761	58,528	343	61,101	61,444
Galvanized Sheet	.....	50,979	50,979	.....	73,517	73,517
Leather ... ... ...	12,461	17,560	30,021	13,938	28,665	42,603
Machines and Machinery ...	17,536	208,160	225,696	24,456	209,445	233,901
Metal Manufactures—Free ...	739	89,427	90,166	6,986	119,471	126,457
Dutiable ...	16,410	123,578	139,988	8,190	146,806	154,996
Oil—Kerosene ... ... ...	.....	29,237	29,237	.....	57,306	57,306
Spirits ... ... ...	3,648	49,707	53,415	6,626	87,634	94,260
Sugar ... ... ...	104,620	108,302	212,922	88,306	2,550	90,856
Tea ... ... ...	.....	96,808	96,808	.....	101,946	101,946
Timber ... ... ...	14,009	102,960	116,969	15,344	91,840	107,184
Tobacco, Cigars, &c. ...	13,771	20,385	34,156	18,843	47,459	66,302
Wine ... ... ...	8,371	8,224	16,595	7,310	6,180	13,490
Wool ... ... ...	192,895	1,864	194,759	255,838	2,290	258,128
Other Articles ... ... ...	998,098	1,299,118	2,297,216	859,110	964,701	1,823,811
Total ... ... ...	£ 2,100,029	3,654,913	5,754,942	2,713,734	3,366,522	6,080,256

No. 13.—Principal Articles Exported Oversea during February, and during the two months—January and February.

Article.	1908.				1907.			
	Australian Produce.	Quantity.	Total.	Value.	Australian Produce.	Quantity.	Total.	Value.
<b>February.</b>								
Animals—Horses ... No.	2,199	2,199	7,369	7,369	476	476	12,130	12,130
Butter ... ... lb.	2,025,260	2,025,260	109,676	109,676	3,000,368	3,000,368	122,692	122,692
Coal ... ... ton	263,621	263,621	140,959	140,959	199,481	199,481	98,419	98,419
Copper, Ingots & Matte cwt.	33,009	33,009	93,347	93,347	31,156	31,156	158,748	158,748
Fruits—Fresh ... ... cntl.	2,131	2,153	1,718	1,741	1,857	2,010	1,056	1,206
Gold—Coined, Uncoinied	.....	.....	191,865	191,865	.....	.....	161,793	161,793
Grain—Wheat ... ... cntl.	18,631	18,631	6,754	6,754	957,694	957,694	248,109	248,109
Flour ... ... "	22,323	22,323	10,870	10,870	59,224	59,224	21,474	21,474
Lead ... ... cwt.	99,947	99,947	62,177	62,177	72,146	72,146	67,696	67,696
Leather ... ...	.....	.....	21,938	22,275	.....	.....	27,955	31,166
Meats—Beef ... ... lb.	83,230	83,230	1,119	1,119	306,163	306,163	3,827	3,827
Mutton & Lamb "	2,143,274	2,143,274	18,984	18,984	3,190,321	3,190,321	39,049	39,049
Rabbits & Hares pair	296,803	296,803	11,373	11,373	319,152	319,152	13,711	13,711
Meat—Preserved ... lb.	183,028	183,430	3,497	3,523	198,408	199,094	3,786	3,812
Oil—Cocoanut ... ... cwt.	8,088	8,088	10,974	10,974	7,178	7,178	12,920	12,920
Ores, Spelter, &c. ... ...	.....	.....	103,974	107,324	.....	.....	62,376	62,386
Silver Bullion ... ... oz.	248,653	248,653	26,757	25,757	156,610	156,610	20,527	20,527
Silver-lead Bullion ... ... cwt.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Skins—Hides ... ... No.	23,098	23,098	17,350	17,350	18,727	18,727	15,952	15,952
Sheep ... ... "	124,973	124,973	10,940	10,940	298,964	298,964	35,787	35,787
Rabbit & Hare ... lb.	180,747	180,747	4,576	4,576	320,463	320,463	10,553	10,553
Other ... ...	.....	.....	9,293	9,293	.....	.....	15,608	15,608
Tallow ... ... cwt.	10,064	10,064	13,821	13,821	23,461	23,561	35,487	35,612
Timber ... ...	.....	.....	20,477	21,821	.....	.....	13,105	15,289
Tin, Ingots ... ... cwt.	4,994	4,994	31,163	31,163	4,768	4,768	44,657	44,657
Wine ... ... gal.	7,748	8,088	1,731	1,998	2,144	2,268	8.7	1,027
Wool ... ... lb.	39,164,788	39,164,788	2,080,483	2,086,483	35,557,362	35,557,362	1,817,098	1,817,098
Other Articles ... ...	.....	.....	79,075	180,584	.....	.....	53,521	122,676
Total ... ... £	.....	.....	3,098,260	3,205,116	.....	.....	3,118,833	3,193,924
<b>January and February.</b>								
Animals—Horses ... No.	2,297	2,297	9,545	9,545	622	622	14,532	14,532
Butter ... ... lb.	6,305,052	6,305,052	315,032	315,032	7,143,022	7,143,022	295,302	295,302
Coal ... ... ton	486,710	486,710	253,789	253,789	347,931	347,931	169,358	169,358
Copper, Ingots & Matte cwt.	63,864	63,864	183,908	183,908	57,559	57,559	291,540	291,540
Fruits—Fresh ... ... cntl.	4,154	4,869	3,000	3,743	4,196	4,654	2,543	3,025
Gold—Coined, Uncoinied	.....	.....	342,301	342,301	.....	.....	350,886	350,886
Grain—Wheat ... ... cntl.	65,829	65,829	25,106	25,106	1,945,973	1,945,973	487,127	487,127
Flour ... ... "	46,299	46,299	23,478	23,478	150,393	150,413	54,522	54,532
Lead ... ... cwt.	202,021	202,021	128,337	128,337	196,381	196,381	180,027	180,027
Leather ... ...	.....	.....	44,020	44,609	.....	.....	58,722	62,640
Meats—Beef ... ... lb.	98,320	98,320	1,308	1,308	674,254	674,254	8,243	8,243
Mutton & Lamb "	5,049,542	5,049,542	44,586	44,586	12,411,578	12,411,578	157,347	157,347
Rabbits & Hares pair	548,446	548,446	21,230	21,230	539,183	539,183	23,156	23,156
Meat—Preserved ... lb.	627,614	628,728	11,761	11,817	275,483	276,169	5,538	5,564
Oil—Cocoanut ... ... cwt.	12,597	12,597	17,753	17,753	11,618	11,718	20,614	20,799
Dres, Spelter, &c. ... ...	.....	.....	131,349	134,699	.....	.....	146,189	146,199
Silver Bullion ... ... oz.	449,810	465,988	48,106	49,906	520,851	520,851	69,958	69,958
Silver-lead Bullion ... ... cwt.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Skins—Hides ... ... No.	34,220	34,220	25,285	25,285	27,334	27,334	24,650	21,650
Sheep ... ... "	438,686	438,686	40,349	40,349	701,888	701,888	84,780	84,180
Rabbit & Hare ... lb.	352,604	352,604	9,351	9,351	473,589	473,589	15,424	15,424
Other ... ...	.....	.....	13,873	13,873	.....	.....	38,638	38,638
Tallow ... ... cwt.	29,562	29,562	40,238	40,238	59,699	59,799	92,386	92,511
Timber ... ...	.....	.....	42,895	45,548	.....	.....	42,673	46,312
Tin, Ingots ... ... cwt.	11,407	11,407	70,083	70,083	11,960	11,960	112,116	112,116
Wine ... ... gal.	14,177	14,765	3,233	3,787	3,669	3,898	1,277	1,616
Wool ... ... lb.	45,528,261	45,528,261	2,465,208	2,465,208	71,555,333	71,555,333	3,682,987	3,682,987
Other Articles ... ...	.....	.....	150,259	332,885	.....	.....	105,694	241,362
Total ... ... £	.....	.....	4,465,383	4,657,754	.....	.....	6,535,620	6,680,631

NOTE.—The difference between the value of Australian produce exported and the total export represents the value of produce of oversea origin re-exported.

No. 14.—Outward Interstate Transfers during January, 1908, and during the twelve months January to December, 1907.

NOTE.—The figures for February, 1908, are not yet available.

Article.	1908.			1907.		
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.
January.						
Animals—Live	104,585	104,585	104,585	119,725	119,725	119,725
Apparel and Soft Goods	7,618	16,676	24,294	7,702	20,932	28,634
Biscuits	3,401	1	3,402	4,462	94	4,556
Boots and Shoes—Leather	7,019	1,369	8,388	5,923	1,463	7,386
Butter	2,908	2,908	2,908	1,859	2,860	1,859
Cement	3,039	17	3,056	2,860	9	2,869
Coal	80,979	.....	80,979	69,361	.....	69,361
Fruits—Fresh	3,294	572	3,866	4,627	1,603	6,230
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	10,006	.....	10,006	744	.....	744
Grain—Wheat	17,485	.....	17,485	56,996	.....	56,996
Flour	18,110	15	18,125	9,79	136	9,928
Hats and Caps	1,227	1,009	2,236	1,235	2,146	3,381
Leather	6,271	7,854	14,125	4,755	4,947	9,702
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable	2,821	16,150	18,971	4,019	5,697	9,716
Free	31	3,978	4,009	1,672	3,501	5,173
Potatoes	2,337	.....	2,337	1,319	.....	1,319
Skins and Hides	10,212	5	10,217	12,972	80	13,052
Soap	4,005	2	4,007	3,519	.....	3,519
Spelter, Concentrates, &c.	15,555	.....	15,555	.....	.....	.....
Spirits	1,034	5,732	6,766	1,253	5,747	7,000
Sugar	29,590	1,852	31,442	28,078	732	28,810
Tea	.....	7,384	7,384	.....	8,224	8,224
Timber	3,083	410	3,493	1,151	216	1,367
Tobacco, Cigars, &c...	16,258	1,259	17,517	14,030	3,053	17,083
Wool...	42,544	.....	42,544	187,313	.....	187,313
Other Articles	275,692	77,610	353,311	333,208	87,798	421,006
Total	£ 669,104	£ 141,904	£ 811,008	£ 878,575	£ 146,378	£ 1,024,953
Year 1907.						
Animals—Live	2,323,123	3,139	2,326,262	1,975,690	3,440	1,979,130
Apparel and Soft Goods	166,203	375,209	541,412	145,100	316,198	461,298
Biscuits	60,833	189	61,022	51,566	153	51,719
Boots and Shoes—Leather...	149,347	23,452	172,799	126,584	16,953	143,537
Butter	133,014	2	133,016	48,659	17	48,676
Cement	54,234	508	54,742	33,856	414	34,270
Coal	970,665	.....	970,665	891,446	.....	891,446
Fruits—Fresh	125,294	8,117	133,411	119,422	12,643	132,065
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	430,404	.....	430,404	691,769	3	691,772
Grain—Wheat	214,440	25	214,465	257,985	.....	257,085
Flour	188,166	458	188,624	176,307	744	177,051
Hats and Caps	39,733	39,219	78,952	30,889	9,031	39,920
Leather	78,207	60,852	139,059	94,719	54,462	149,181
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable	76,890	67,226	144,116	55,263	55,438	110,701
Free	18,653	34,263	52,916	20,909	35,855	56,764
Potatoes	32,696	.....	32,696	34,154	.....	34,154
Skins and Hides	211,643	237	211,880	165,529	60	165,589
Soap	49,693	43	49,736	46,239	74	46,313
Spelter, Concentrates, &c.	360,408	13	360,421	239,504	6	239,510
Spirits	19,364	84,545	103,909	30,624	73,159	103,783
Sugar	229,909	4,653	234,562	222,685	5,178	227,863
Tea	.....	109,680	109,680	.....	90,652	90,652
Timber	32,026	7,097	39,123	38,804	3415	42,219
Tobacco, Cigars, &c...	213,929	30,610	244,539	190,466	33,016	223,482
Wool...	2,632,344	.....	2,632,344	3,241,035	.....	3,241,035
Other Articles	4,474,699	1,494,497	5,969,196	3,327,303	1,264,985	4,592,288
Total	£ 13,285,917	£ 2,344,034	£ 15,629,951	£ 12,255,607	£ 1,975,896	£ 14,231,503
Year 1906.						

NOTE.—These figures are preliminary, and do not agree with those in Table 8.

## No. 15.—Staple Produce Exported Oversea each Month.

Month.	Wool.	Wheat and Flour.	Butter.	Gold (coined and uncoined).	Lead and Silver-lead.	Copper.	Coal.
1907.	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
February...	1,817,098	269,583	122,692	163,793	67,696	158,748	98,419
March ...	1,889,287	139,933	148,573	205,818	170,184	128,970	65,754
April ...	801,336	108,443	61,474	229,009	108,137	118,760	69,964
May ...	351,413	72,016	32,872	456,983	115,633	180,440	111,292
June ...	401,198	52,269	3,551	431,925	111,361	167,514	135,289
July ...	355,256	45,779	10,926	177,833	110,417	159,571	99,875
August ...	352,263	55,027	19,485	213,924	128,713	127,016	133,457
September	1,148,653	40,785	34,199	159,935	134,325	132,058	112,351
October ...	2,354,234	37,574	60,207	108,252	96,793	117,157	131,048
November	2,859,644	13,280	48,996	122,765	128,230	98,051	95,520
December	2,021,564	11,849	94,685	206,894	103,346	102,141	173,626
1908.							
January ...	378,725	30,960	205,356	150,436	66,160	90,561	112,830
February...	2,086,483	17,624	109,676	191,865	62,177	93,347	140,959

## No. 16.—Shipping.

Year.	Entered.		Cleared.		Tonnage entered.		Tonnage cleared.	
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Steam.	Sailing.	Steam.	Sailing.
1897 ...	2,563	3,258,461	2,652	3,358,933	2,562,513	695,948	2,618,385	740,548
1898 ...	2,602	3,402,629	2,653	3,400,970	2,736,388	666,241	2,732,516	668,454
1899 ...	2,406	3,399,349	2,523	3,468,485	2,790,046	609,303	2,839,578	628,907
1900 ...	2,784	4,014,755	2,714	3,855,748	3,206,657	808,098	3,140,449	715,299
1901 ...	2,760	4,133,200	2,853	4,274,101	3,460,193	673,007	3,513,265	760,836
1902 ...	2,888	4,367,739	2,835	4,325,480	3,704,268	663,471	3,680,850	644,630
1903 ...	2,953	4,463,648	3,007	4,466,916	3,683,142	780,506	3,649,600	817,316
1904 ...	2,718	4,419,179	2,767	4,460,014	3,769,303	649,876	3,745,584	714,430
1905 ...	2,725	4,697,511	2,694	4,684,108	4,051,884	645,627	4,042,703	641,405
1906 ...	2,893	5,283,719	2,883	5,275,031	4,659,821	623,898	4,658,235	616,796
1907 ...	3,239	6,072,723	3,207	6,014,960	5,257,455	815,268	5,233,426	781,534
Jan.-Feb., 1908	525	996,168	539	1,024,287	894,322	101,846	905,584	118,703
," 1907	466	893,419	467	889,265	771,542	121,877	775,122	114,143
Feb., 1908 ...	253	493,981	275	534,014	440,127	53,854	481,765	49,219
," 1907 ...	245	425,881	240	424,758	351,377	74,504	356,671	68,087

## No. 17.—Trade with Principal Countries.

Country.	1885.	1890.	1895.	1900.	1905.	1906.
<b>Imports.</b>						
Australian States ...	7,595,806	10,049,648	6,758,140	10,164,080	14,938,885	17,061,860
United Kingdom ...	11,985,597	8,628,007	6,420,107	9,923,117	8,602,288	10,047,928
Canada ...	.....	18,784	61,742	114,321	73,443	150,132
Fiji ...	192,540	99,853	27,890	60,831	43,232	55,478
Hongkong ...	340,187	271,730	181,529	67,928	89,351	102,680
India and Ceylon ...	134,909	239,070	306,932	601,741	717,948	848,792
New Zealand ...	899,623	932,073	563,528	1,348,605	1,369,001	2,094,508
South Africa ...	290	55	34	1,013	5,254	3,263
Straits Settlements ...	40,913	27,148	14,074	40,391	82,830	103,636
Other British Possessions ..	109,850	6,685	18,820	118,929	67,167	87,570
Total, British Countries..	21,299,715	20,273,053	14,352,796	22,440,956	25,989,399	30,555,847
Belgium ...	195,318	130,819	150,288	147,661	222,994	394,805
China ...	303,595	241,840	133,870	190,456	28,631	10,823
France ...	345,231	117,871	76,663	270,084	138,028	118,173
Germany ...	372,557	639,475	425,697	1,105,664	864,289	1,037,771
Italy ...	1,311	23,961	39,563	92,732	73,757	78,706
Japan ...	1,242	22,040	28,179	122,041	145,257	180,519
New Caledonia ...	82,181	83,920	28,345	28,509	18,399	23,667
Philippine Islands ...	715	4,414	15,211	49,240	27,854	39,436
South Sea Islands ...	36,929	40,214	54,436	107,488	103,142	132,732
United States ...	1,008,572	859,102	624,268	2,557,961	1,636,069	1,702,428
Other Foreign Countries ...	90,095	178,295	63,099	448,279	176,189	380,456
Total, Foreign Countries	2,437,746	2,341,951	1,639,619	5,120,115	3,434,609	4,109,516
Total, All Countries ...	23,737,461	22,615,004	15,992,415	27,561,071	29,424,008	34,665,363
<b>Exports.</b>						
Australian States ...	6,567,084	10,990,593	7,104,812	9,979,190	12,263,472	14,651,156
United Kingdom ...	7,293,133	6,623,431	9,371,418	8,273,272	10,222,422	12,174,155
Canada ...	.....	10	16,804	66,403	41,520	723,308
Fiji ...	128,643	98,951	86,420	183,579	245,152	307,247
Hongkong ...	246,032	255,050	141,976	218,986	424,460	431,748
India and Ceylon ...	130,597	257,360	56,462	174,296	1,330,189	1,546,539
New Zealand ...	369,055	294,138	486,173	826,662	934,661	1,300,126
South Africa ...	.....	1,014	3,266	755,487	371,727	367,009
Straits Settlements ...	29,190	34,347	24,507	39,898	95,995	160,996
Other British Possessions ..	30,318	27,469	31,268	49,586	89,969	88,931
Total, British Countries..	14,794,052	18,582,363	17,323,106	20,567,359	26,019,567	31,751,215
Belgium ...	399,549	1,011,846	780,826	620,349	1,787,163	3,263,310
China ...	21,114	1,037	7,943	68,004	318,159	97,930
France ...	142,104	233,924	1,436,122	1,024,300	3,570,246	3,179,531
Germany ...	29,511	404,280	1,141,661	844,504	2,771,396	2,294,260
Italy ...	1,769	24,498	63,509	61,132	176,770	128,674
Japan ...	2,758	7,156	54,242	133,989	377,451	633,730
New Caledonia ...	153,094	193,396	71,344	179,761	135,446	122,102
Philippine Islands ...	.....	16,410	18,603	88,043	183,853	234,658
South Sea Islands ...	68,854	45,290	68,713	126,834	141,381	119,333
United States ...	985,531	1,300,375	683,066	3,981,242	602,145	2,963,288
Other Foreign Countries ...	151,771	225,362	285,110	468,999	698,429	850,013
Total, Foreign Countries	1,956,055	3,463,574	4,611,679	7,597,157	10,762,439	13,886,829
Total, All Countries ...	16,750,107	22,045,937	21,934,785	28,164,516	36,782,006	45,638,044

## No. 18.—Commonwealth Revenue collected in State.

Year ended 30th June.	Taxation.			Posts and Telegraphs.	Other Revenue.	Total.
	Customs.	Excise.	Total.			
* 1901 ... ...	£ 820,012	£ 198,996	£ 1,019,008	£ 276,936	£ 1,019	£ 1,296,963
1902 ... ...	2,324,000	488,732	2,812,732	873,312	8,223	3,694,267
1903 ... ...	2,861,710	617,032	3,478,742	906,798	5,479	4,391,019
1904 ... ...	2,604,049	625,737	3,229,786	941,529	5,075	4,176,390
1905 ... ...	2,390,735	642,882	3,033,617	980,141	6,969	4,020,727
1906 ... ...	2,563,552	670,370	3,233,922	1,065,633	15,275	4,314,830
1907 ... ...	2,845,786	727,527	3,573,313	1,191,508	16,998	4,781,819
+ Dec., 1907 ...	1,935,416	444,091	2,379,507	633,660	9,768	3,022,935
‡ Dec., 1907 ...	958,675	243,433	1,202,108	331,090	5,571	1,538,769
,, 1906 ...	666,066	179,173	845,239	305,382	4,646	1,155,267

\* Half-year ended 30th June.

† Six months ended 31st December.

‡ Three months ended 31st December.

## No. 19.—Commonwealth Expenditure in State.

Year ended 30th June.	New Expenditure.	Customs and Excise.	Posts and Telegraphs.	Naval and Military.	Other.	Total.
* 1901 ... ...	£ 47,606	£ 29,005	£ 262,036	£ 70,743	.....	£ 409,390
1902 ... ...	99,252	63,450	840,685	309,147	.....	1,312,534
1903 ... ...	114,131	70,438	890,203	268,146	10	1,342,928
1904 ... ...	167,043	69,188	950,107	298,757	.....	1,485,095
1905 ... ...	290,847	68,724	894,595	237,892	.....	1,492,058
1906 ... ...	187,340	73,431	984,371	327,734	25	1,572,901
1907 ... ...	283,145	74,801	1,049,155	349,513	378	1,756,992
+ Dec., 1907 ...	236,589	38,200	508,682	180,334	1	963,806
‡ Dec., 1907 ...	110,102	18,937	242,627	98,195	.....	469,861
,, 1906 ...	67,136	17,351	292,970	71,995	.....	449,452

\* Half-year ended 30th June.

† Six months ended 31st December.

‡ Three months ended 31st December.

## No. 20.—Public Debt and Expenditure from Loans.

Year ended 30th June.	Public Debt at end of Year.	Expenditure from Loans during Year.				
		Reproductive Works.			Other Works and Services.	Total.
		Railways and Tramways.	Water Supply and Sewerage (including Water Conservation).	Harbours and Rivers (including Resumptions).		
1897 ... ...	£ 61,074,498	£ 476,674	£ 440,109	£ 240,172	£ 391,150	£ 1,548,105
1898 ... ...	63,112,720	421,885	538,622	282,421	410,215	1,653,143
1899 ... ...	63,762,066	589,156	579,738	370,680	486,370	2,025,944
1900 ... ...	65,332,993	858,193	438,684	382,346	721,720	2,400,943
1901 ... ...	67,361,246	1,085,747	532,691	505,199	661,392	2,785,029
1902 ... ...	71,592,485	2,243,672	486,205	1,698,387	510,977	4,939,241
1903 ... ...	77,692,987	1,683,755	554,581	2,017,346	457,704	4,713,386
1904 ... ...	80,033,581	805,520	315,305	879,213	288,704	2,288,742
1905 ... ...	82,321,998	501,710	242,770	465,712	361,065	1,571,257
1906 ... ...	85,641,734	529,251	365,442	256,780	215,549	1,307,022
1907 ... ...	85,607,832	421,742	344,345	167,677	124,789	1,058,553

NOTE.—Redemptions of loans are not included in the Expenditure, nor are repayments to credit of votes.

No. 21.—Net Revenue and Receipts of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1899–1900 to 1906–7.

	1899–1900.	1900–1.	1901–2.	1902–3.	1903–4.	1904–5.	1905–6.	1906–7.
<b>Governmental :—</b>								
Taxation—								
By Commonwealth—Balance of Revenue collected and returned to State ... ... ... ... ...	£ 1,508,055	£ 1,641,563	£ 2,385,904	£ 3,053,133	£ 2,683,417	£ 2,529,070	£ 2,742,770	£ 3,022,351
By State ... ... ... ... ...	881,692	1,041,548	1,108,770	1,108,782	1,100,193	1,114,408	1,297,776	1,381,305
Land—	£ 2,389,747	2,683,111	3,494,674	4,161,915	3,783,610	3,643,478	4,040,546	4,403,656
Alienations ... ... ... ... ...	1,213,661	1,226,905	1,155,515	1,010,246	1,030,138	937,815	976,772	1,029,439
Revenue ... ... ... ... ...	894,772	835,072	841,559	791,219	827,188	820,087	753,115	851,373
Receipts for Services rendered ... ... ...	£ 2,108,433	2,061,977	1,997,074	1,801,465	1,857,326	1,757,902	1,729,887	1,880,812
Miscellaneous Receipts ... ... ...	£ 216,280	270,546	221,666	236,127	290,550	288,020	285,479	343,851
Total Governmental ... ... ...	£ 5,031,757	5,359,956	6,088,747	6,551,473	6,305,197	6,047,970	6,428,487	6,958,959
<b>Business Undertakings by the State :—</b>								
By Railway Commissioners ... ... ... ...	3,563,376	4,099,085	4,324,432	4,079,788	4,263,744	4,527,368	5,051,954	5,596,428
Sydney Harbour Trust ... ... ... ...	.....	60,602	217,391	256,133	261,659	253,581	270,689	298,037
Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage ...	319,849	327,214	347,710	376,221	385,793	473,562	492,195	496,794
Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board ...	30,707	27,806	29,076	32,453	31,934	34,437	39,757	42,217
Total Business Undertakings ... ... ...	£ 3,913,932	4,514,707	4,918,609	4,744,595	4,943,130	5,288,948	5,854,595	6,433,476
Total ... ... ... ...	8,945,689	9,874,663	11,007,356	11,296,668	11,248,327	11,336,918	12,283,082	13,392,435
Other Receipts (Advances Repaid, &c.) ... ... ...	31,609	24,612	49,112	92,830	103,868	47,753	8,285	14,108
Grand Total ... ... ... ...	£ 8,977,298	9,899,275	11,056,468	11,388,898	11,352,195	11,384,671	12,291,367	13,406,543

\* Adjusted amounts for purposes of comparison, Commonwealth transferred services excluded.

No. 22.—Net Expenditure from the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1899–1900 to 1906–7.

	1899-1900.	1900-1.	1901-2.	1902-3.	1903-4.	1904-5.	1905-6.	1906-7.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Governmental :—</b>								
Interest on Public Debt and on Funds in temporary possession of Govt.*	620,867	580,517	737,578	895,732	831,527	883,236	938,398	907,026
Old-age Pensions and Administration	...	...	46	453,279	553,507	531,983	518,656	510,343
Other Pensions, Retiring Allowances, &c.	30,835	44,629	44,299	37,589	†131,096	†170,909	†170,685	†167,947
Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, including Electoral Office	8,136	14,361	27,160	12,710	22,586	42,048	10,464	20,426
Parliamentary Allowances and Postage	34,002	33,303	32,694	35,014	34,746	23,210	29,129	29,503
Endowments and Grants—								
Municipalities, including Municipal Rates on Government Buildings	28,818	29,330	55,516	43,585	45,480	21,172	17,884	66,815
Fire and Water Brigades	13,522	15,633	17,517	16,785	22,354	15,790	20,052	19,457
Miners' Accident Relief and Administration	...	...	2,002	9,043	10,329	11,668	11,875	12,747
Hospitals, Benevolent Societies, Coast Hospital, other Charitable Institutions	103,995	108,214	122,521	114,948	109,779	121,568	142,934	121,856
Fire and Flood Relief	...	149	1,620	132	882	98	5,278	220
Agricultural, Pastoral, and Horticultural Societies	14,931	15,404	15,986	13,071	11,410	14,363	8,936	17,390
Public Charities, including Government Asylums, State Children, Aborigines, and Maintenance of Paupers	157,134	130,388	159,703	167,58	166,148	154,364	149,339	144,933
Lunacy, including Master in-Lunacy	110,705	114,568	125,436	147,238	138,847	128,062	135,367	135,728
Public Instruction, including Reformatories and Grants to Educational and Scientific Institutions	773,653	789,206	874,692	904,142	912,621	915,586	937,840	943,638
Public Works, including Establishment	839,940	983,851	1,022,963	924,881	770,240	693,657	788,522	637,582
Labour and Industry, including Unemployed	9,661	9,182	13,220	17,414	21,355	11,087	12,821	7,856
Local Government Endowments, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	126,583
<b>Extraordinary Services—</b>								
Bubonic Plague	84,451	92,065	5,235	23,094	5,144	3,456	2,094	2,641
Military and Naval Contingents—South Africa and China	157,985	225,458	49,472	10,847	1,264	194	1,079	24,284
Federal Celebrations and Royal Receptions	...	121,528	21,477	514	1,981	...	...	...
All other Services of the State under Public Departments	1,805,465	1,932,017	1,961,519	1,952,191	1,913,964	1,841,543	1,816,518	1,899,999
Total—Governmental	£ 4,794,252	£ 5,243,316	£ 5,749,442	£ 5,882,062	£ 5,684,291	£ 5,576,054	£ 5,705,372	£ 5,802,705
<b>Business Undertakings by the State :—</b>								
By Railway Commissioners, Sydney Harbour Trust, Metropolitan and Hunter District Boards of Water Supply and Sewerage—								
Working Expenses	2,197,999	2,586,475	3,002,680	3,169,470	3,132,636	3,131,826	3,184,816	3,444,243
Interest on Capitals	1,788,948	†1,892,780	†1,981,501	†2,046,289	†2,133,548	2,167,782	2,136,660	2,229,708
Total Business Undertakings	£ 3,986,947	£ 4,479,255	£ 4,984,181	£ 5,215,759	£ 5,266,184	£ 5,299,608	£ 5,321,476	£ 5,673,951
Sinking Fund Instalments	264,561	269,412	274,550	369,413	369,413	319,413	360,016	405,090
Public Works Fund—Transfers in aid	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	718,051
Closer Settlement Fund—Transfers in aid	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	200,000
Total	£ 9,045,760	£ 9,091,983	£ 11,008,173	£ 11,467,234	£ 11,319,888	£ 11,195,075	£ 11,386,864	£ 12,799,797
Advances made	30,319	77,221	132,889	169,230	72,015	2,423	8,378	31,526
Grand Total	£ 9,076,079	£ 10,069,204	£ 11,141,062	£ 11,636,473	£ 11,391,903	£ 11,197,498	£ 11,395,242	£ 12,831,323

\* Excludes proportion chargeable to the four corporate bodies. † Includes pensions under Public Service (Superannuation) Act, No. 8 of 1903, 4 per cent. deductions from salaries being paid to Revenue. ‡ For years 1899–1900 to 1903–4, figures for interest on capitals are approximate only, as the capital debt of the four corporate bodies was not definitely settled.

## No. 23.—Banks of Issue—Liabilities.

(Thirteen Banks.\*)

NOTE.—Liabilities to Shareholders are not included.

Quarter ended 31st December.	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Deposits.			Balances due to other Banks.	Total Liabilities.
			Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.		
1896	... 1,237,971	111,889	10,707,611	19,128,305	29,835,916	69,000	31,254,776
1897	... 1,227,964	112,113	10,582,621	19,024,114	29,606,735	79,711	31,026,523
1898	... 1,278,940	125,414	10,812,215	19,040,496	29,527,711	54,228	31,311,293
1899	... 1,340,557	202,468	11,779,918	19,648,107	31,428,025	84,009	33,055,059
1900	... 1,447,641	209,905	12,224,510	20,009,081	32,233,591	78,594	33,969,731
1901	... 1,499,937	218,943	12,841,599	20,416,857	33,258,456	100,496	35,077,832
1902	... 1,454,415	208,521	12,587,097	20,472,785	33,059,882	207,610	34,930,428
1903	... 1,378,642	228,059	12,591,637	19,986,224	32,577,861	65,979	34,250,541
1904	... 1,345,934	196,995	12,642,715	20,638,560	33,281,275	77,028	34,901,232
1905	... 1,430,335	218,555	14,859,427	22,211,627	37,071,054	140,118	38,860,062
1906	... 1,564,670	313,946	16,834,690	22,585,802	39,420,492	117,629	41,416,737
1907	... 1,756,696	263,018	18,729,709	24,034,857	42,764,566	153,186	44,937,466
31 March, 1907	1,663,162	306,160	19,034,018	22,757,349	41,791,367	102,038	43,862,727
30 June, "	1,684,746	272,347	18,704,401	23,392,858	42,097,259	83,826	44,138,178
30 Sept., "	1,668,290	242,853	17,846,274	23,747,866	41,594,140	98,670	43,603,953

## No. 24.—Banks of Issue—Assets.

(Thirteen Banks.\*)

Quarter ended 31st December.	Coin.	Bullion.	Landed Property.	Notes and Bills discounted, and all other debts due to the Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	Total Assets.
1896	... 6,760,851	187,845	1,914,483	35,116,696	223,487	324,466	44,527,828
1897	... 5,766,554	175,037	1,816,691	35,697,494	227,427	297,519	43,980,722
1898	... 5,564,870	200,310	1,812,804	34,403,700	256,997	399,543	42,638,224
1899	... 5,865,622	217,136	1,819,359	33,688,862	287,030	316,052	42,194,661
1900	... 5,933,076	193,050	1,874,099	34,385,388	246,998	403,816	43,036,427
1901	... 5,814,180	171,545	1,744,664	35,068,787	259,202	379,181	43,437,559
1902	... 6,329,551	223,172	1,789,902	34,654,744	287,025	346,097	43,630,491
1903	... 5,824,539	226,307	1,804,956	34,686,452	304,418	318,904	43,165,576
1904	... 6,175,911	276,446	1,808,266	32,798,708	283,002	264,615	41,606,948
1905	... 8,624,083	199,177	1,799,231	32,447,659	326,750	297,237	43,694,137
1906	... 7,247,347	260,016	1,819,417	34,415,596	335,979	379,002	44,457,957
1907	... 9,342,631	209,454	1,746,940	37,244,216	359,038	443,636	49,345,915
31 March, 1907	8,552,808	226,354	1,783,913	34,032,294	350,903	506,399	45,452,671
30 June, "	8,966,445	162,008	1,777,304	34,477,917	340,606	497,728	46,222,008
30 Sept., "	8,961,077	135,413	1,763,041	36,153,395	348,907	490,049	47,851,882

\* From June, 1907, the returns of fourteen banks are shown, the Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris being included.

## No. 25.—Banks' Exchange Settlements, Sydney.

Year.	Amount.	Year.	Amount.
			£
1896	116,962,784	1902	178,637,708
1897	121,645,873	1903	180,961,406
1898	126,978,018	1904	177,797,335
1899	146,188,144	1905	189,826,381
1900	144,080,314	1906	220,860,512
1901	167,676,707	1907	234,169,822
Total, 1st January to 2nd March, 1908		£38,806,753	
" "	4th	1907	£45,098,030

## No. 26.—Savings Banks.

Year. (31st December.)	Number of Depositors.	Value of Deposits.	Increase in Deposits during Year.	Amount Deposited.	
				Per Depositor.	Per Inhabitant.
1896	213,608	8,522,623	449,048	39 18 0	6 13 3
1897	227,629	9,136,793	614,170	40 2 9	7 0 5
1898	242,365	9,480,944	344,151	39 2 4	7 3 4
1899	260,826	10,069,434	588,490	38 12 1	7 9 10
1900	282,643	10,901,382	831,948	38 11 5	7 19 9
1901	306,311	11,808,710	907,328	38 11 0	8 11 4
1902	323,212	12,425,464	616,754	38 8 10	8 16 6
1903	331,956	12,344,623	(—) 80,841	37 3 9	8 12 5
1904	339,602	12,743,735	399,112	37 10 6	8 14 5
1905	355,714	13,498,252	754,517	37 18 11	9 0 5
1906	392,050	15,320,532	1,822,280	39 1 7	10 0 2
30 June, 1907	408,859	16,338,051	* 1,017,519	39 19 3	10 10 1

(-) Denotes decrease. \* Increase during six months.

## No. 27.—Life Assurance.—Business in force (exclusive of Industrial).

NOTE.—This Table refers to all offices doing business in New South Wales.

Year.	Number of Policies.	Assurances.			Annual Premium Income.
		Sums Assured (exclusive of Bonuses).	Bonus Additions.	Total.	
1896	280,113	80,587,515	9,475,207	90,062,722	2,714,808
1897	290,112	82,216,900	9,721,036	91,937,936	2,769,612
1898	306,916	85,630,767	11,093,343	96,724,110	2,903,218
1899	327,618	89,996,612	10,533,800	100,530,412	3,037,142
1900	349,485	93,888,153	11,190,189	105,078,342	3,168,898
1901	372,823	98,168,271	11,510,243	109,678,514	3,327,803
1902	392,369	102,006,915	11,507,608	113,514,523	3,467,718
1903	418,745	107,786,226	12,585,828	120,372,054	3,677,680
1904	440,005	112,357,451	13,418,599	125,776,050	3,845,577
1905	459,675	116,115,582	13,846,138	129,961,720	3,982,421
1906	445,156	107,711,543	13,962,278	121,673,821	3,698,931

The figures for 1906 represent Australasian business only; prior to that year the whole business of the Institutions, wherever carried on, is included.

## No. 28.—Life Assurance.—Assets and Liabilities.

NOTE.—This table refers only to Australasian offices doing business in New South Wales.

Year.	Assets.			Liabilities.		
	Loans on Mortgages and Policies.	Government and Municipal Securities, Freehold Property, Cash on Deposit, &c.	Total.	Assurance, Endowment, and Annuity Funds.	Paid-up Capital, Reserve Funds, &c.	Total.
1896	16,597,379	5,736,667	22,334,046	21,399,835	934,211	22,334,046
1897	17,360,627	6,036,232	23,396,859	22,537,196	859,663	23,396,859
1898	17,038,041	7,484,151	24,522,192	23,654,709	867,483	24,522,192
1899	18,272,621	7,777,844	26,050,465	25,130,924	919,541	26,050,465
1900	19,013,579	8,457,644	27,471,223	26,491,025	980,198	27,471,223
1901	19,048,449	9,891,691	28,940,140	27,932,313	1,007,827	28,940,140
1902	19,680,288	10,910,108	30,590,486	29,518,852	1,071,634	30,598,486
1903	20,599,387	11,609,060	32,208,447	31,160,834	1,047,613	32,208,447
1904	21,739,875	12,501,434	34,241,309	33,264,382	976,927	34,241,309
1905	22,072,061	13,795,301	35,867,362	34,915,842	951,520	35,867,362
1906	24,379,196	12,556,320	36,935,516	35,338,435	1,597,081	36,935,516

## No. 29.—Area under Crop.

Year ended 31st March.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane (area cut).	Hay.	Vines. Wine-making.	All Crops. *
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1897	... 866,112	211,382	39,530	18,194	327,200	4,608	1,659,717
1898	... 993,350	209,588	28,605	12,936	401,073	4,490	1,821,829
1899	... 1,319,503	193,286	19,874	14,578	461,784	4,573	2,204,500
1900	... 1,426,166	214,697	29,125	9,435	554,048	4,602	2,439,639
1901	... 1,530,609	206,051	29,383	10,472	466,236	4,534	2,445,564
1902	... 1,392,070	167,333	32,245	8,790	442,163	4,889	2,276,528
1903	... 1,279,760	202,437	42,992	8,899	491,918	5,041	2,245,839
1904	... 1,561,111	226,834	51,621	10,405	496,017	5,101	2,542,919
1905	... 1,775,955	193,614	40,471	9,772	435,704	5,298	2,672,973
1906	... 1,939,447	189,353	38,543	10,313	438,036	5,279	2,838,081
1907	... 1,866,253	174,115	56,431	10,378	458,072	4,951	2,824,211

SEASON 1907-8.—The area of wheat estimated to be cut for grain during the season ending 31st March, 1908, is 1,399,930 acres, and for hay 371,120 acres. The production is estimated at 8,686,500 bushels and 189,400 tons respectively.

\* The figures in this column are exclusive of areas double-cropped.

## No. 30.—Production of Crops.

Year ended 31st March.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Total value of Agricultural Production.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	£
1897	... 8,853,445	5,754,217	834,633	320,276	334,902	794,256	5,373,614
1898	... 10,560,111	6,713,060	543,946	269,068	405,353	864,514	6,249,677
1899	... 9,276,216	6,064,842	278,007	289,206	334,297	845,232	4,874,696
1900	... 13,604,166	5,976,022	627,904	170,509	546,850	739,668	5,609,437
1901	... 16,173,771	6,292,745	593,548	199,118	526,260	801,190	5,855,674
1902	... 14,808,705	3,844,993	687,179	187,711	472,621	868,479	7,060,203
1903	... 1,585,097	3,049,269	351,758	183,105	243,379	806,140	4,138,627
1904	... 27,334,141	6,836,740	1,252,156	227,511	816,810	1,086,820	8,358,924
1905	... 16,464,415	4,951,132	652,646	199,640	366,293	928,160	5,413,710
1906	... 20,737,200	5,539,750	883,081	201,998	459,182	831,700	6,543,050
1907	... 21,817,938	5,763,000	1,404,554	221,560	621,846	1,140,000	7,517,550

## No. 31.—Average Yield per acre of Crops.

Year ended 31st March.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Value per acre.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	£ s. d.
1897	... 10'2	27'2	21'1	17'6	1'0	172	3 4 9
1898	... 10'6	32'0	19'0	20'8	1'0	193	3 8 7
1899	... 7'0	31'4	14'0	19'8	0'7	185	2 4 3
1900	... 9'5	27'8	21'6	18'1	1'0	160	2 6 0
1901	... 10'6	30'5	20'2	19'0	1'1	197	2 8 0
1902	... 10'6	22'9	21'3	21'4	1'1	178	3 2 0
1903	... 1'2	15'1	8'2	20'9	0'5	160	1 16 10
1904	... 17'5	30'1	24'3	21'9	1'6	213	3 5 9
1905	... 9'3	25'6	16'1	20'4	0'8	175	2 0 6
1906	... 10'7	29'3	22'9	19'6	1'0	157	2 6 1
Mean for 10 years	10'0	27'3	19'0	19'8	1'0	179	2 11 5
1907	... 11'7	33'1	24'9	21'3	1'4	230	2 13 3

## No. 32.—Live Stock.

Year ended 31st December.	Horses.	Cattle.		Sheep.	Pigs.
		Dairy Cows.	All other.		
1896	510,636	400,183	1,825,980	48,318,790	214,581
1897	498,034	409,098	1,673,598	43,952,897	207,738
1898	491,553	416,053	1,613,463	41,241,004	247,061
1899	482,200	399,327	1,567,754	36,213,514	239,973
1900	481,417	420,148	1,562,968	40,020,506	250,577
1901	486,716	417,835	1,629,619	41,857,099	265,730
1902	450,125	351,287	1,389,939	26,649,424	193,097
1903	458,014	523,438	1,357,140	28,656,501	221,592
1904	482,663	591,936	1,557,193	34,526,894	330,666
1905	506,884	644,164	1,693,809	39,506,764	310,702
1906	537,762	713,049	1,836,895	44,132,421	243,370

NOTE.—Up to 1902 the figures include only the cows actually in milk at the time the returns were taken. The figures for subsequent years are made up as follows:—

Year.	Milch Cows.	Cows at present dry.		Heifers within 3 months of calving.		Total Dairy Cows.
		..	..	..	..	
1903	862,429	117,679	..	43,330	..	523,438
1904	424,936	131,595	..	35,405	..	591,936
1905	442,950	154,655	..	46,559	..	644,164
1906	494,820	172,888	..	45,341	..	713,049

## No. 33.—Production—Pastoral and Dairying.

Year.	Wool (as in the grease).	Tallow.	Butter.	Cheese.	Bacon and Hams.
1896	320,267,000	570,983	25,874,277	4,019,844	5,303,763
1897	303,315,000	656,973	29,409,966	3,937,168	6,544,781
1898	292,165,000	466,102	31,483,601	3,245,312	7,184,058
1899	254,833,000	389,838	33,033,881	2,385,987	6,831,943
1900	237,660,000	444,429	41,479,794	3,558,823	10,863,125
1901	310,075,000	450,713	39,056,878	3,838,835	11,080,891
1902	217,411,000	251,188	29,950,977	4,148,038	8,995,856
1903	227,004,000	235,198	38,727,107	4,748,176	7,864,771
1904	250,941,000	353,082	53,591,243	4,223,621	10,680,532
1905	297,154,000	495,157	53,040,250	4,625,980	11,652,440
1906	325,441,000	487,911	58,888,000	5,389,000	11,843,000

## No. 34.—Price Levels.

The index numbers are calculated on the f.o.b. prices, Sydney, based on London prices of principal articles of domestic produce exported. The average prices of 1901 are adopted as basis, and called 1,000.

Period.	General Index— all articles.	Index of Pastoral Products—Wool, Tallow, Hides, Leather, &c.	Index of Metals—Silver, Lead, Copper, Tin.
1901—average of year ...	1,000	1,000	1,000
1906 " " ..	1,277	1,316	1,432
1907 " " ..	1,343	1,354	1,461
February, 1902 ...	1,010	988	956
" 1903 ...	1,085	1,171	982
" 1904 ...	1,053	1,097	982
" 1905 ...	1,073	1,071	1,061
" 1906 ...	1,243	1,310	1,328
" 1907 ...	1,377	1,418	1,619
September, 1907 ...	1,327	1,294	1,419
October " ..	1,309	1,265	1,308
November " ..	1,271	1,246	1,205
December " ..	1,207	1,246	1,085
January, 1908 ...	1,222	1,240	1,087
February, 1908 ...	1,213	1,202	1,081

## No. 35.—Average Prices in London of New South Wales Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat.	Flour.	Butter.		Wool.		Tallow.
			Top.	Bottom.	Greasy.	Scoured.	
	per qr. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per cwt. s.	per cwt. s.	per lb. d.	per lb. s. d.	per cwt. s. d.
February, 1907 ...	30 9	7 16 0	101	96	12½	1 9	36 0
March, " ...	30 9	7 15 0	100	97	12½	1 10	37 6
April, " ...	31 3	7 17 0	98	91	12½	1 10	37 6
May, " ...	32 9	8 10 0	97	90	12½	1 10	37 6
June, " ...	34 6	8 11 6	96	91	12½	1 10	33 6
July, " ...	35 3	8 16 0	97	93	12½	1 10	34 0
August, " ...	35 0	9 2 0	100	95	12½	1 10	35 0
September, " ...	40 0	9 13 0	98	96	12½	1 10	35 0
October, " ...	42 9	10 7 0	119	112	12½	1 10	34 4
November, " ...	44 0	10 12 0	119	112	13	1 11	34 1
December, " ...	45 0	10 11 6	120	114	13	1 11	33 2
January, 1908 ...	43 6	10 13 0	122	115	13½	1 9½	33 0
February, " ...	38 9	10 5 0	136	126	12½	1 8½	32 6

## No. 36.—Average Wholesale Prices in Sydney of N.S.W. Agricultural and Dairy Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat (Milling).	Flour.	Bran.	Pollard.	Oats.	Maize.						
							per bushel. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per bushel. d.	per bushel. d.	per bushel. s. d.	per bushel. s. d.
February, 1907 ...	3 0½	7 3 0	8½	8½	2 7	2 5½						
March, " ...	3 1½	7 5 0	8½	8½	2 5	2 6						
April, " ...	3 2½	7 5 0	9½	9½	2 7	2 8½						
May, " ...	3 8½	8 0 0	11½	11½	2 9½	3 1						
June, " ...	3 8	8 13 6	11½	11½	2 9½	2 9½						
July, " ...	3 11½	9 0 0	10½	10½	2 10	2 9½						
August, " ...	3 11	8 19 0	9½	10½	2 10	2 9						
September, " ...	4 2½	9 10 6	11½	11½	2 9½	3 1½						
October, " ...	5 1½	10 12 6	16½	16½	3 4	4 4½						
November, " ...	4 11½	11 7 6	15	15	3 5½	4 6½						
December, " ...	4 5	10 2 6	14½	15	3 3	4 10½						
January, 1908 ...	4 6	10 9 6	15½	15½	3 2½	5 0						
February, " ...	4 4	9 16 0	14	15½	3 2½	4 8						
	Hay (Oaten).	Butter (Best Brands).	Cheese (Loaf).	Bacon (Sides).	Lard (Bulk).	Eggs.						
	per ton. £ s. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per doz. d.						
February, 1907 ...	3 6 0	9½	5½	7½	4½	10½						
March, " ...	3 3 3	9½	5½	8½	4½	13½						
April, " ...	3 0 0	9½	5½	8½	4½	15½						
May, " ...	4 1 6	10½	6	7½	5	17½						
June, " ...	4 2 6	11½	6½	6½	5	16½						
July, " ...	4 3 3	11½	7½	7½	5½	16						
August, " ...	3 11 9	11½	7½	8½	5½	8½						
September, " ...	4 11 8	11½	7½	9	5½	8½						
October, " ...	6 1 9	11½	8½	9½	5½	8½						
November, " ...	6 10 0	11½	8½	9½	5½	9½						
December, " ...	6 5 0	10½	6½	9½	6½	9½						
January, 1908 ...	6 5 0	10½	7½	9½	7	10						
February, " ...	5 9 6	12½	7½	9½	7	13½						

No. 37.—Gold produced.  
Gold yield during January and February, 1908 and 1907.

		1908.		1907.	
		Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		oz. fine.	£	oz. fine.	£
January	...	26,033	110,583	29,839	126,750
February	...	13,499	57,342	5,669	24,079
Total for two months	...	39,532	167,925	35,508	150,829

## No. 38.—Quantity and Value of Minerals produced, 1906 and 1907.

Minerals.	1906.		1907.		Increase in Value.	Decrease in Value.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.		
Metallic—						
Gold	oz. fine	253,987	£1,078,866	247,363	£1,050,730	£28,136
Silver	...	284,994	36,431	2,043,887	257,314	220,883
Silver—lead and ore	ton	371,939	2,826,542	434,079	3,658,632	832,090
Lead—pig, &c.	...	59	1,084	19,768	374,182	373,098
Zinc spelter & concentrates	,	103,666	292,806	237,219	536,620	243,814
Tin ingots and ore	,	1,671	255,744	1,914	293,305	37,561
Copper ingots and ore	,	9,755	789,527	10,098	727,774	61,753
Antimony and ore	,	2,451	52,645	1,752	46,278	6,367
Bismuth	,	25	5,700	16	5,268	432
Wolfram	,	132	9,057	207	26,235	17,178
Scheelite	,	109	7,647	196	23,781	16,134
Molybdenite	,	33	4,798	22	3,564	1,234
Platinum	oz.	205	623	276	1,014	391
Iron	ton	.....	.....	18,631	60,550	60,550
Non-metallic—						
Coal	ton	7,626,362	2,337,227	8,657,924	2,922,419	585,192
Coke	,	186,060	110,607	254,609	159,316	48,709
Kerosene shale	,	32,446	28,470	47,331	32,055	3,585
Alunite	,	1,856	4,637	2,088	5,115	478
Limestone flux	,	12,788	7,463	41,667	16,162	8,699
Ironstone flux	,	935	723	10,659	7,707	6,984
Marble	.....	.....	1,518	.....	2,200	682
Diamonds	carat	2,827	2,120	2,539	2,056	64
Opal	,	.....	56,500	.....	79,000	22,500
Sundry minerals	.....	.....	1,981	.....	4,013	2,032
Total	...	£.....	7,912,716	.....	10,295,290	2,480,560
						97,986
						Net increase £2,382,574.

NOTE.—The above table does not include iron made from scrap valued at £112,848 in 1906 and £118,082 in 1907, nor lime and Portland cement valued at £144,060 and £164,006, respectively, in 1906 and 1907. These items are accounted for in the manufacturing returns.

## No. 39.—Value of Minerals Produced.

Year.	Gold.	Silver, Silver-lead, and Ore.	Copper.	Tin.	Coal.	Total Minerals Produced.
1897 ...	£ 1,104,315	£ 1,698,239	£ 283,174	£ 49,900	£ 1,230,041	£ 4,648,119
1898 ...	1,201,743	1,704,055	272,686	45,638	1,271,833	4,801,585
1899 ...	1,623,320	2,070,657	395,451	90,482	1,325,799	6,089,749
1900 ...	1,070,920	2,604,117	425,301	142,724	1,668,911	6,362,078
1901 ...	737,164	1,854,463	412,292	76,544	2,178,929	5,080,739
1902 ...	684,970	1,440,179	307,806	59,593	2,206,598	5,102,521
1903 ...	1,080,029	1,501,493	462,640	150,208	2,319,660	5,957,512
1904 ...	1,146,109	2,065,540	406,001	188,377	1,994,952	6,243,261
1905 ...	1,165,013	2,494,052	527,403	226,110	2,003,461	6,897,081
1906 ...	1,078,866	2,862,973	789,527	255,744	2,337,227	7,912,716
1907 ...	1,050,730	3,915,946	727,774	293,305	2,922,419	10,295,290

## No. 40.—Manufactories.

Year.	Number of Establish- ments.	Hands Employed.			Value of Plant and Machinery.	Total Wages Paid.	Value of Output.
		Males.	Females.	Total.			
1896 ...	2,928	No. 42,908	No. 6,932	No. 49,840	£ 5,035,905	£ Not available.	£ Not available.
1897 ...	2,826	44,333	7,106	51,439	5,294,228	"	"
1898 ...	2,839	44,673	7,845	52,518	5,435,096	"	"
1899 ...	2,912	47,063	8,583	55,646	5,640,384	"	"
1900 ...	3,077	50,516	10,263	60,779	5,707,640	4,974,216	Not available
1901 ...	3,397	54,556	11,674	66,230	5,860,725	4,945,079	24,393,471
1902 ...	3,396	54,326	11,943	66,269	6,795,843	5,080,740	Not available
1903 ...	3,476	52,453	13,180	65,633	7,009,806	4,839,557	26,391,028
1904 ...	3,632	53,457	14,579	68,036	7,536,903	5,012,758	27,159,230
1905 ...	3,700	56,117	16,058	72,175	7,919,950	5,191,350	30,028,150
*1906 ...	3,861	59,979	17,843	77,822	8,295,337	5,591,888	34,796,169

\* See also Table 42.

## No. 41.—Railways.

Year ended 30th June.	Miles open for traffic.	Capital expended on lines open.	Net Earnings.	Train miles run.	Net Earnings per train mile.	Passengers carried.
1897 ...	No. 2,640	£ 37,369,205	£ 1,413,524	8,130,405	s. d. 3 5 3/4	22,672,924
1898 ...	2,691	37,719,402	1,412,143	8,340,338	3 4 3/4	23,233,206
1899 ...	2,707	37,992,276	1,454,831	8,806,647	3 3 3/4	24,726,067
1900 ...	2,811	38,477,269	1,394,052	8,894,352	3 1 1/2	26,486,873
1901 ...	2,846	38,932,781	1,530,578	10,763,697	2 10 1/4	29,261,324
1902 ...	3,026	40,565,073	1,401,317	11,649,059	2 4 3/4	30,885,214
1903 ...	3,139	41,654,977	1,048,594	11,548,338	1 9 3/4	32,284,138
1904 ...	3,281	42,288,517	1,177,473	10,400,503	2 3 3/4	33,792,689
1905 ...	3,281	43,062,550	1,491,869	10,467,886	2 10 1/4	35,158,150
1906 ...	3,390	43,626,063	1,926,407	11,863,682	3 3	37,500,531
1907 ...	3,453	44,700,230	2,209,665	12,949,068	3 5	41,413,084
*Dec., 1907	3,468	44,700,230	668,729	3,747,812	3 6 3/4	11,987,700
* " 1906	3,453	43,626,063	667,291	3,309,278	4 0 1/2	10,500,118

\* Quarter ended 31st December.

## No. 42.—Manufacturing Industries, 1906.

Class of Industry.	Number of Establishments.	Hands Employed.			Value of Machinery, Implements, and Plant.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	256	3,190	19	3,209	245,696
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c.	48	550	131	681	158,157
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c.	252	3,771	106	3,877	426,543
Working in Wood	457	5,186	19	5,205	365,780
Metal Works, Machinery, &c.	376	15,288	51	15,339	1,511,896
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	707	9,558	2,049	11,607	2,537,270
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	724	6,530	13,120	19,650	286,040
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving	335	5,539	1,422	6,961	671,321
Musical Instruments, &c.	6	305	33	338	4,815
Arms and Explosives	3	15	2	17	270
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	259	2,607	60	2,667	43,790
Ship and Boat Building	34	1,585	10	1,595	161,269
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery	119	2,148	169	2,317	32,336
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products	48	678	334	1,012	107,276
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments	8	69	17	86	2,570
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware	33	416	41	457	12,192
Heat, Light, and Power	139	1,821	62	1,883	1,705,857
Leatherware, n.e.i.	12	217	23	240	6,085
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	45	506	175	681	16,174
Total	3,861	59,979	17,843	77,822	8,295,337
		Value of Materials used.	Value of Fuel Consumed.	Value of Goods Manufactured or work done.	Value of Production, being value added to Raw Materials.
		£	£	£	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	3,288,006	20,314	13,855,204	546,884	194,407
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c.	420,149	7,483	621,016	193,384	42,366
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c.	144,007	77,354	722,627	501,266	300,212
Working in Wood	1,105,105	10,705	1,806,846	691,036	376,912
Metal Works, Machinery, &c.	4,195,818	229,602	7,631,010	3,205,590	1,502,331
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	9,258,104	112,545	11,955,522	2,584,873	824,083
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	1,890,906	12,775	3,414,603	1,510,922	907,542
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving	476,461	13,623	1,396,774	906,690	557,245
Musical Instruments, &c.	43,295	237	102,875	59,343	30,584
Arms and Explosives	2,475	21	4,521	2,025	1,077
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	228,019	4,974	536,426	303,433	179,990
Ship and Boat Building	80,748	4,836	284,178	198,594	167,136
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery	264,927	1,804	531,168	264,437	157,383
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products	259,701	5,856	487,610	222,053	62,893
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments	8,973	239	22,924	13,712	5,589
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware	41,847	522	99,838	57,469	33,990
Heat, Light, and Power	232,351	105,829	1,062,466	724,286	200,922
Leatherware, n.e.i.	69,475	340	97,981	28,166	14,218
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	92,318	939	162,580	69,323	33,008
Total	22,102,685	609,998	34,796,169	12,083,486*	5,591,888

\* If £222,824, the value added to articles already included in primary industries be deducted, the total value of the production from the manufacturing industries is £11,860,662.      † Including value of wool treated.

## No. 43.—Manufactories—Value of Production, 1901-1906.

Class of Industry.	1901. (Census Year)	1903.	1904.	1905.	1906.
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	337,739	547,636	449,521	457,067	546,884
Oils and Fats, &c.	160,718	162,491	179,690	177,877	193,384
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c.	422,272	445,774	399,459	402,447	501,266
Working in Wood	649,149	647,463	609,255	645,027	691,036
Metal Works, Machinery, &c.	2,443,432	2,382,185	2,485,649	2,781,996	3,205,590
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	2,231,942	1,919,746	2,053,276	2,138,487	2,362,049
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Material	1,091,244	1,150,871	1,219,217	1,289,527	1,510,922
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving	950,771	802,860	851,780	847,996	906,690
Musical Instruments, &c.	22,309	29,511	30,708	54,799	59,343
Arms and Explosives	1,480	3,065	1,924	1,541	2,025
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	266,016	198,391	239,727	257,251	303,433
Ship and Boat Building	148,800	207,932	205,392	179,380	198,594
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery	220,434	209,395	199,025	228,903	264,437
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products	74,066	108,299	148,785	199,100	222,053
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments	17,304	9,145	10,700	10,925	13,712
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware	24,698	31,043	41,048	48,705	57,469
Heat, Light, and Power	624,567	681,190	707,356	739,397	724,286
Leatherware, n.e.i.	12,243	16,303	20,955	24,229	28,166
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	37,047	46,490	46,646	53,799	69,323
Total	9,736,171	9,599,790	9,900,113	10,598,453	11,860,662

NOTE.—The value of production from factories dealing with milk products is omitted, as it has already been included in the returns of the Dairying Industry.

## No. 44.—Postal Communication.

Year.	Post Offices open.	Letters carried.	Post cards and letter cards carried.	Newspapers carried.	Packets, books, and parcels carried.	Miles of telegraph line.	Telegrams transmitted.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1896	2,006	68,845,675	1,406,560	45,558,340	16,109,750	12,418	2,796,776
1897	2,046	72,490,144	1,534,710	42,426,394	13,258,207	12,778	2,728,360
1898	2,098	75,119,595	1,862,100	42,570,850	17,093,767	13,242	2,866,570
1899	2,152	74,686,138	2,040,610	46,806,560	14,641,064	13,663	3,112,063
1900	2,189	77,361,604	2,241,090	51,500,920	14,558,454	14,065	3,219,907
1901	2,208	80,301,717	2,481,750	52,317,650	15,216,387	14,272	3,449,315
1902	2,216	88,077,145	2,704,250	47,763,350	16,995,440	14,356	3,627,369
1903	2,228	89,156,941	3,081,270	37,900,840	16,305,421	14,395	3,638,591
1904	2,239	93,752,099	4,518,088	40,384,812	19,485,389	14,491	3,637,280
1905	2,266	102,292,888	9,665,700	44,599,104	23,077,094	14,827	3,837,962
1906	2,288	113,226,280	14,457,564	47,144,094	25,201,131	15,417	4,452,506

No. 45.—Current Rates of Wages.

*Mechanics, Artisans, and others (without Board and Lodging).*

Bakers (per week),	50/- to 60/-
Blacksmiths, 10/- per day ; average,	50/-
Boilermakers—	
1/3 per hour, new work	approximate average
1/4     "     old work	per week, 35/-
Brass-finishers, 1/- per hour ; average,	42/-
Brassmoulders, 1/3     "     "     "     "     "     50/-	
Bricklayers, 1/4½     "     "     "     "     "     45/-	
Brickmakers, 1/-     "     "     "     "     "     40/-	
Carpenters and joiners, 1/3 per hour ; av'ge, 45/-	
Coach-painters, 1/3 per hour ; average, 45/-	
Coachsmiths, 1/4 per hour ; average, 50/-	
Compositors (piecework)—	
1/- to 1/1 per 1,000 ens.	
52/- per week (jobbing).	
Linotype (newspapers), -1/3 per 1,000 ens.	
Time rate, 1/6 per hour (day).	
"     1/9     "     (night).	
Coopers (piecework), 50/- to 55/- per week.	
Coppersmiths, 1/4 per hour ; average, 50/-	
Engineers, 1/3 to 1/4 per hour ; average, 50/-	
Engine-drivers, 30/- to 50/- per week ; av'ge, 40/-	
Engine-fitters, 1/3 to 1/4 per hour ; average, 50/-	
Galvanised iron workers, 1/1½ per hour ; av'ge, 50/-	
Gas-fitters, 1/4½ per hour ; average, 55/-	
General labourers, 7/- per day.	
Skilled     "     8/-     "     ; average, 40/-	
Ironmoulders, 1/3 per hour ; average, 40/-	
Iron-turners, 1/3     "     "     "     "     45/-	
Masons and stone-cutters, 1/4½ per hour ; average,	
40/-	
Navvies—7/- to 8/- per day ; av'ge, 40/- per week.	

### *Average Wages for Adults in Factories (per week).*

Aerated Water Factories—  
 Bottlers (machine), 33/-  
 Bottle washers, 20/- to 30/-  
 Labellers, 12/6  
 Packers, 35/-  
 Boatbuilders (average, 40/-), 54/-  
 Bookbinders (average, 50/-), 52/-  
 Bootmakers, male (average, 38/-), 4  
 Bootmakers, female (average, 12/6),  
 Brewery hands, 36/- to 44/-  
 Cabinetmakers (average, 50/-), 52/-  
 Dressmakers, 15/- to 25/-  
     improvers, 5/- to 12/6  
 Milliners, 15/- to 25/-  
     improvers, 5/- to 12/6

NOTE.—The averages stated indicate the approximate amount earned per week all the year round in the specified trades. An ordinary working day consists of eight hours. The rates shown are practically the minimum.

*Interstate Steamers (per month).*

Officers, chief, £14 to £17; 2nd, £11 to £13;  
3rd, £9 to £10; 4th, £8.  
Firemen, £8 10s. to £10.  
Trimmers, £6 10s. to £7.

Engineers, chief, £20 to £27 10s.; 2nd, £16 to £19; 3rd, £14 to £15; 4th, £12.  
Able seamen, £7.  
" " (sailing ships), average, £5.

*State (New South Wales) Steamers.*

Firemen, £9 to £10.

Trimmers, £7.

Able Seamen, £7 (6-hour watches).

## No. 45.—Current Rates of Wages—continued.

*Farm and Station Hands (with rations and lodging), per week or per year.*

Married couples (without family)—  
 Farm, £65 to £75.  
 Station, £70 to £85.  
 Farm labourers, 20/-  
 Boundary riders, 15/- to 20/-  
 Bullock drivers, 20/- to 25/-  
 Dairy hands, 15/- to 22/6  
 Rouseabouts and shed hands, 15/- to 20/-  
 Orchard hands, 14/- to 20/-

Horse-team drivers, 20/- to 30/-  
 Stockmen, £45 to £52.  
 Country blacksmiths—  
 Station, 30/-  
 General (without rations), 50/- to 60/-  
 Useful boys, 7/6 to 12/6.  
 Shearers (per 100 sheep), no rations, 20/-  
 Harvest hands, 35/-  
 Vignerons, 15/- to 20/-

*Domestic Servants (with board and lodging), per week.*

Cooks (Females)—  
 Hotel, 15/- to 30/-  
 Station, 20/- to 25/-  
 Private house, 15/- to 20/-  
 Boarding-house, 20/- to 30/-  
 Cook and laundress, 15/- to 20/-  
 Laundresses, 20/-

Gardeners, 20/- to 30/-  
 General servants, 10/- to 20/-  
 Grooms and coachmen, 17/6 to 25/-  
 Nursemaids, and assist in house, 6/- to 10/-  
 Useful girls, 6/- to 10/-  
 Waitresses (board only), 15/- to 18/-

## No. 46.—Meteorology.

District.	February, 1908.					February— (Mean 1898-1907).			Mean annual— All previous years.	
	Temperature.			Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Mean Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.
	Mean.	Mean Max.	Mean Min.							
	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.
North Coast—										
Grafton ...	74·9	86·8	63·0	8·42	10	76·7	3·18	9	68·3	38·77
Hunter and Manning—										
Singleton ...	72·6	79·9	65·2	14·17	14	74·9	1·63	3	64·3	29·65
Cumberland—										
Sydney ...	71·4	76·9	65·8	6·90	20	71·6	1·98	12	63·0	48·34
South Coast—										
Bega ...	70·0	80·3	59·7	3·35	8	70·0	4·40	5	59·8	31·74
Northern Tableland—										
Armidale ...	65·8	75·3	56·2	6·73	15	67·9	2·13	7	56·4	31·78
Central Tableland—										
Bathurst ...	66·3	79·7	52·9	2·80	5	71·4	1·06	4	57·2	23·89
Southern Tableland—										
Goulburn ...	66·0	76·4	55·6	3·13	8	67·3	1·21	5	56·4	25·63
North-western Slope—										
Gunnedah ...	76·3	87·8	64·7*	6·58	11	80·5	1·57	4	66·2	24·76
Central-western Slope—										
Dubbo ...	74·6	87·9	61·3	4·56	7	80·0	0·87	4	63·6	22·36
South-western Slope—										
Wagga ...	79·6	95·2	64·0	2·25	5	78·8	0·48	3	61·6	21·73
North-western Plain—										
Moree ...	77·0	88·4	65·6	6·33	7	81·3	2·11	6	68·7	23·23
Central-western Plain—										
Coonamble ...	77·0	90·2	63·8	3·47	8	81·0	1·66	3	65·8	19·96
Riverina—										
Deniliquin ...	78·5	92·6	64·3	0·92	4	76·5	0·72	2	61·9	16·46

## No. 47.—Crown Lands Selections, 1908.

The following statements show—(first) the Land Selected ; and (second), the Area made available for Residential Settlement during the month of February, 1908, and during the period from 1st January to 29th February, 1908 :—

## LANDS SELECTED UNDER THE "CROWN LANDS ACT."

Description of Holding.	During February, 1908.		1st Jan. to 29th February, 1908.	
	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
Conditional Purchase Leases ... ...	19	13,945	45	26,307
Original Conditional Purchases ... ...	125	17,618	256	36,557
*Conditional Leases applied for simultaneously with and in virtue of these O.C. Purchases	(65)	29,182	(141)	69,854
Original Homestead Selections ... ...	14	3,473	21	5,065
Original Settlement Leases ... ...	2	5,203	7	38,343
Settlement Purchases ... ...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total of New Settlers ...	160	69,421	329	176,126
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
Additional Conditional Purchases ... ...	81	11,571	148	20,548
Additional Conditional Leases ... ...	84	24,557	182	51,342
Additional Homestead Selections ... ...	7	3,534	14	5,850
Additional Settlement Leases ... ...	4	2,244	9	7,506
Total ... ...	176	41,906	353	85,246

\* A Conditional Lease may be of any area not exceeding three times that of the associated Conditional Purchase, and is usually taken up at the same time as the Conditional Purchase. It is not, however, treated as an additional holding.

## AREAS SPECIALLY SET APART FOR RESIDENTIAL SETTLEMENT.

Description of Holding.	During February, 1908.		1st Jan. to 29th February, 1908.	
	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
For Conditional Purchase Lease ... ...	20	14,413	55	29,807
Original Conditional Purchase ... ...	9	771	41	2,674
Original Conditional Purchase and Conditional Lease in virtue thereof ...	42	30,743	92	80,408
Original Homestead Selection ... ...	7	2,155	9	2,175
Original Settlement Lease ... ...	.....	.....	2	16,450
Settlement Purchase ... ...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total ... ...	78	48,082	199	131,514
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
For all forms of Additional Holdings ...	69	23,857	136	91,609
Additional Conditional Purchase ...	1	30	4	181
Additional Conditional Purchase and Conditional Lease ... ...	1	52	6	372
Additional Homestead Selection ... ...	.....	.....	1	16
Additional Settlement Lease ... ...	1	800	2	1,400
Additional Conditional Purchase, Conditional Lease, or Additional Homestead Selection ... ...	2	110	2	110
Total ... ...	74	24,849	151	93,688

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